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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Serial No. (unknown)

Filed herewith

PROCESS FOR THE MULTIPLICATION  
OF STEM CELLS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend  
the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 3 as follows:

--3. (Amended) Use of an inhibitor according to  
claim 1, in which the inhibitor of cell development is chosen  
from the group consisting of products of genes which control  
cell development with respect to cell differentiation and/or  
cell division, inhibitors of cycline-dependent kinases,  
factors which control apoptosis or ageing, and cytokines (such  
as interferons and TGF-b).--

[Amend claim 4 as follows:]

--4. (Amended) Use of an inhibitor according to  
claim 1, in sequential combination with an anti-inhibitor of  
cell proliferation, to initiate a number of cell divisions

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